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PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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OPTICAL DISK DEVICE, OPTICAL DISK, DATA RECORDING
METHOD, AND DATA REPRODUCING METHOD

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Sir:

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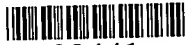
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Sir:

Under the provisions of Section 119 of 35 U.S.C., Applicants hereby claim the benefit of Japanese Application No. 2000-052594 filed in Japan on February 28, 2000, relating to the above-identified United States patent application.

In support of Applicants' claim for priority, a certified copy of said Japanese application is attached hereto.

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